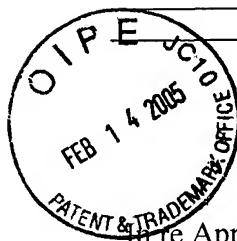


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In re Application of:)
Jeffrey P. Allen) Confirmation No.: 5979
Serial No.: 10/762,948)
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Title: FUEL CELL BIPOLAR SEPARATOR) Paper No.:
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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

In regard to the above identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Amendment and Response to Office Action, and
2. Return postcard.

With respect to additional fees:

A. No additional fee is required.
 B. An additional fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest No. Previously Paid For	(5) Present Extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total Claims	16	Minus	20	0	X \$25.00	= \$0.00
Indep. Claims	1	Minus	3	0	X \$100.00	= \$0.00
			Total Additional Claims Fees		\$0.00	
Petition/Request for Extension of Time			0 months		\$0.00	
			Total Additional Fees for this Amendment		\$0.00	

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

*** Each multiple dependent claim should be counted as the number of claims from which it depends.

- C. Attached is a check in the amount of \$_____.
- D. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the total additional fee of \$_____ to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- E. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Petition fee of \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 19, 2005

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed November 30, 2004, please enter the following amendments.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.